WILDLY EXCITED AND HIGHER WHEAT.

INTEREST CENTERED ALMOST WHOLLY IN WHEAT.

Strength Was the Feature and Higher Prices Recorded-Corn Dull and Closed Off.

Great activity, considerable excitement and pronounced irregularity marked the ement of prices of the two leading speculative grains Thursday, a fact that was more true of the wheat situation than that the cheaper grains, which, to a very reat extent were lost sight of owing to conditions prevailing in the first named. In the case of that cereal, the market was strong and bullish from start to finish, large gains and sudden declines being wit-nessed, which lent great excitement to nessed, which tent great trading, and made the pit a scene of wild-ness all through the day. On the other hand, corn, while showing irregularity, did not go through the changes that the higher-priced cereal did, and if anything showed a eactionary tendency, and during the day he market took an entirely different course than that taken by wheat. There was not much change in the price movement during the last half of the session, but while the close for the far-off option was the same as the day before, the nearby option was the law before, the nearby option was the lower, while wheat, although not maintaining the full advance of the day closed in a wild, excited way at from 12% to the day vance, as compared with the day before.

Bullishness was rampant in wheat during the session Thursday, and especially the last half, as nearly all the news and condilast half, as nearly all the news and conditions affecting this grain worked in the interest of higher prices. As a result, great activity and excitement was witnessed at intervals during the day, and the market advanced to the front of the stage without meeting with any serious opposition, and for some considerable time held the boards. There was a change for the worse late in the day, which was followed by a quick recovery, which, while not sufficient to send prices as high as they had been earlier, closed them better for the day, which at one time did not appear probable. The advices right at the start was by no means conductive to strength, cables from Liverpool being unfavorable and the crop reports in the Cincinnati Price Current of a decidedly favorable character, while the weather was spring-like. These unfavorable conditions forced the market down only 'ac at the opening, as there was too much wheat wanted by parties who were inclined to look upon the situation as bullish, and considered wheat cheap enough to buy at present prices.

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New York was strong, and the reports of Continental acceptances of wheat and flour was more than sufficient to offset the fact that Liverpool had opened but 4d higher. There was the usual array of damage reports by bugs received early, and July, which opened at 70%c, 4c off from the previous day's close, quickly jumped up to 70%6%c, so very urgent was the demand right at the start. May sold in the meantime at 72%6%c. A slight let-down followed this rise, and July went to 70%c, which was due partly to a 4c decline reported at Berlin, though Antwerp was up %c and Paris 40%c, and Liverpool rallied some and closed 4d better for the day. But again was the market stirred up by bug stories, a perfect flood of them coming on the market, and all from the Southwest. They came so thick and fast that a craze to buy was developed, and under its influence July went flying to 71%c, and May sold at 73%c.

The principal feature of the local market at this time was the heavy buying for long account by representatives of well-known and prominent traders. Shorts were in the market also covering and this combined buying held the market firm for some time. The clearances were \$39.000 bu. for the day, and 3.906.000 bu. for the week, against \$5.818,000 bu. a week ago. Export sales of only 19 loads were reported, which included 100,000 bu. No. 2 red here. A falling off in the buying caused a decline to 70%270%c for July, but buying was resumed late and closed that month at 71c bid. May was offered at 35c and closed at 73%c buyers.

scanty the offerings and so urgent the deman l. No. 2 sold at 2814g/284c. No. 3 quotable at 280g/284c, latter choice, and No. 2 Northern at 284g/284c. No. 2 white sold at 30c, as also fancy clipped to arrive; No. 3 white at 294c and 294c, and clipped at 294c; No. 4 white at 294g/34c.

RYE—Dull and nothing doing. Grade No. 2 quotable E side at 5c.

HAY—Received 26 tons local and 115 tons through; shipped 297 tons. A firm market for the best grades of timothy, prairie and clover, but quiet for medium and dull for low grades. Current rates on trk. for timothy, 314 for choice, \$12912.0 for No. 1. \$11612 for No. 2. \$5.0910.50 for No. 3; prairie, \$10911 for No. 1. \$5910 for No. 2. \$5.0910.50 for No. 3; clover \$9613.

FLOUR—Acceptances by the Continent at advanced prices were reported, including a sale to France, but the limited Kingdom still holding off. Demand from domestic sources light, Quotations for car lots on trk of soft winter-wheat flour are as follows: Patents \$3.093.55; clear \$2.8092.50 glow and medium \$2.2592.50. Hard winter in jute \$88. \$2.5092.70 for clears, \$2.9093.10 for straights and \$3.200 globs. Straights and \$3.200 globs.

RYE FLOUR—Jobbing at \$3 in sks. and \$3.30 in biols.

CURNMEAL—City, f. o. b., \$2.25 and pearl

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CORNMEAL—City, f. o., b., \$2.25 and pearl meal, grits and hominy \$2.55.

LEAD AND SPELTER—Steady and firm, Lead at \$4.22½ for chemical hard and soft Missouri and \$3.80 for spelter.

Prices on 'Change.

Wheat 1,03,259
Corn 218,591
Oats 1,995
No. 2 red wheat 599,505
No. 2 hard 31,361
No. 2 mixed corn 311,043
No. 2 white 12,116
No. 2 mixed oats
No. 2 rye 297

PRODUCE MARKET.

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Local Fruit, Vegetable, Poultry Egg and Butter Quotations.

The produce markets were generally in fair condition Thursday. Receipts were heavier than they have been running, but there was a good general demand and some kinds of vegetables were especially strong. Both shippers and local buyers were in the market, but green garden truck of all kinds was duil and plentiful.

Potatoes were quiet, but choice smooth Northern cating varieties were scarcer, in fair demand and higher. Stocks in dealers' hands are light, and receipts are also running very light, and is new potatoes are coming in very slowly, offerings are barely equal to the requirements. Common, inferior, or damaged stock, and seed varieties, however, are dull and weak.

New potatoes were quiet, but receipts were heavier and the feeling was easier. Most of the offerings, however, were small.

Sweet potatoes were quiet and steady at unchanged prices, with both demand and offerings light.

Spinach and kale were dull and slow, as offerings of home-grown were heavy, and in excess of the demand.

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Corn was somewhat neglected during the day, the exciting features that made wheat so very conspicuous being lacking. During the opening hours the market was extremely unsettled and price changes were quite numerous, being influenced that way by the actions of the Chicago market. Trading all through the day was small for the reason that wheat held out the most attraction. The receipts were small and shipments.

choice and \$2.25 for fancy; Messina quotable at \$2.25@2.65 per box on trk., according to quality, COCOANUTS—Quotable at \$37.59 per 1,000—in a small way at \$4 per 100.

BANAMS—On orders, \$1.50@1.75 per bunch.
PINEAPPLES—Quote: Havana at \$8 to \$10 per bbl.

GRAPP FRUIT—Quote: Jamaica (extra large sizes) at \$3 to \$4 per box; California at \$3@3.50 and Florida at \$4 to \$6 per box.

CALIFORNIA CHERRIES—35 per 10-ib, box of Vacaville.

POTATOES—Northern on trk.: Wisconsin and Minnesota—Burbank at 34@35c for common to fair to 35@38c for choice bright; rural at 35@38c for common to fair to 35@38c; Michigan tural at 35@38c for fair to choice, and 40@42c for fancy smooth bright; white mixed at 25@38c; Michigan tural at 35@38c for fair to choice, and 40@42c for fancy smooth bright; seed varieties—Red cut rose at 30@32c; Hebron at 25@38c; Michigan tural at 35@38c for fair to choice, and 40@42c for fancy smooth bright; seed varieties—Red cut rose at 30@32c; Hebron at 25@38c; perfess at 350%36c; all bug-eaten, inferior and stock affected with dry-rot less than above prices.

CABBAGE—Quote \$1.80@1.85 per crate; Mobile Texas \$22645 a ton, in bulk del, on trk, \$35640 per ton; \$3.50 per lib-lib, crate on trk.; rose 43 645c.

CELERY—Choice sound quotable at \$262.50 per crate for fancy white plume and 60675c per bunch fancy California. New Orleans 40655c.

Celery roots 25c.

TOMATOES—Florida at \$161.75 for small to medium and \$362.25 for fancy large per 6-basket crate. Mexican \$161.25 per crate.

EGGPLANT—Quote Florida at \$262.50 for small \$2.7563 for choice per 14-bu, crate.

STHING BEANS—Choice round green Florida at \$362.25 per bu, box: \$2.50 for wax. Mexican round green \$2.50; wax \$2.25. Texas fint green 13.50; bellow \$32.35c per lib. del. Soft skinned, small and inferfor nominally less. Egyptian yellow \$2.10673.15 per 112-lb, sack del.

CUCUMBERS—New Orleans quotable at \$1 per doz. \$4 per crate.

GUMBO—Quote Florida at \$363.50 per 6-basket crate.

FEPPERS—Choice Florida at \$1.50 per 6-basket

Crate.

PEPPERS—Choice Florida at \$1.50 per 6-basket crate.

NEW POTATOES—Quote Bermuda at \$5.75@6 per bbl., Florida triumphs \$2@2.50 per bbl., \$6@6.50 per bbl. Crate. Texas \$5.67% per bbl. crate. Texas \$5.67% per bbl. box.

BEETS—Quote New Orleans at 35% per doz. for large and 30% for small bunches. Old at 90% per bbl. Orders higher.

CARROTS—Quote New Orleans, at 20%30% per doz. bunches. Home-grown at 50% per bu. loose, On orders \$1.50 per bbl.

TURNIPS—New Orleans (new) quiet at 40%45% for choice. On orders higher.

PARSLEY—New Orleans curiy quotable at 15% per doz. bunches.

KOHLRABI—Choice large New Orleans at 30% \$5% per doz. bunches.

SPINACH—Home-grown 10%15% per bu. loose; Southern not wanted.

SHALLOTS—New Orleans not wanted, as home-grown are plentiful.

PARSLEY—New Orleans curiy quotable at 15% \$5% per doz. according to size of bunches.

RUTABAGAS—Steady. Onciable at 32% per bu. in bulk. Orders \$1.40 per bbl.

SATIERKRAUT—Quote: Ebbls. at 34; half bbls. at 32.

SWEET POTATOES—Steady. Quote homeat 2.

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Nansemond at 56c per bu. Seed—Bermuda 50c;
queen 36c; red and yellow Nansemond 15c per
bu. loose, orders higher.

HORSERADISH—Quote home-grown at 2c per
th home-grown.

KALE-Home-grown 2½@5c per bu. box. Consistemments not wanted.

SPANISH ONIONS—Quote at \$1.50 per crate.
MUSHROOMS—Dull at 25@35c per lb.
LETTUCE—New Orleans choice \$2.50; poor \$3
per bbl. Home-grown sells at 25@50c per bu.
box loose.

ENDIVES—Quote New Orleans at \$2@2.50 per bbl.

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RADISHES—New Orleans choice, bbl. lots 200 35c per doz, bunches, Held stock less, Arkansas 10040c per doz, bunches, mainly at 20030c for long red. Round white 35c; long white 56c and white tipped 45c per doz, bunches, Alabama 400 45c per doz, quotations are all for large bunches, BRUSSELLS SPROUTS—Quotable at 20025c per control. quart. GREEN ONIONS-Home-grown 24:05c per doz

Round lots are selling as follows: Raccoon at 25640c; mink at 30560c; skunk at 156320c; opossum at 7615c; wild cet at 10620c; civet cat at 10 Glic; house cat at 10c badser at 5625c; red fox at 25675c; gray fox at 25640c; otter at 56638; beaver at \$167; wolf at 36650c—timber at 50638; muskrat at 5610c.

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BECAUSE OF THE SCARCITY

PHILLIPS WAS A FREE SELL

Provisions Somewhat Higher in Sympathy With Other Grain -Oats Strong and Higher.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Chicago, Ili., April 25.-Wheat market strong, due to growing scarcity of desirable grain for shipment.

Corn reaches 49c to-day with Phillips ree seller at the advance. Oats were strong and higher, but closed about at last night's close.

Provisions somewhat higher-in sympathy

vance the demand slackened and prices receded loc to 12½c, and closed steady.

May offerings were moderate and inquiry rather light. July enjoyed a rather active demand. Sales were made at the opening at \$1.52 for July, and closed at \$1.57½. Rather an active business was reported in lard, and the feeling was stronger. The market opened rather firm at 2½@ce higher and prices further improved about 5c to 7½c. Toward the close the feeling was not quite so strong, and prices receded 5c and the market closed steady. May offerings were small and the demand fairly active. May opened at \$8.22 and closed at \$8.20, July was in best request, and the offerings were not very large.

Sales were made at the opening at \$8.05 to \$8.074 and closed at \$8.07½. Quite a good business was reported in the ribs, with a stronger feeling. The market opened rather firm at 2½.455c advance, and prices improved further 52.74c. Toward the close, however, the feeling was not so firm, and prices receded 2½c, and the close was comparatively steady. July enjoyed rather an active demand, opening at \$7.95 and closing steady to strong at \$7.94.68. May opened at \$8.22½ and closed quiet at \$8.25.

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SPOT COTTON MARKETS.

Nothing Developed in Spots-Markets Quiet and Generally Unchanged. Local Market-Spot cotton quiet and hanged, Sales 25 bales. Changed.
Ordinary
Good ordinary
Low middling.
Middling
Good middling
Middling fair
Tinges and stains 1/2 to 3/2 off.
Warehouse statement:

By Telegraph.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, April 25.—It was a day of "evening up" among the room traders and of procrastination on the part of the speculative public in the cotton market to-day. Shorts took profits wherever opportunity offered. Longs lost faight their position and liquidated. On the opening a steady undertone obtained, but prices were unchanged to I point higher, with business duil. At the first hour transactions were of a hand-to-mouth order, with fluctuations confined to a matter of 4 points. The Liverpool market was out and met our break of yesterday. The weather South was quite as favorable as discounted, and receipts were well up to yesterday's estimates. Near the close Liverpool railled sharply on a scare of shorts, who became alarmed over an unfounded report from this side that another severe storm was developing in the Southwest. Buying orders were sent to our market and to New Orleans, with the result that prices in both markets advanced to conform with the righth of the store of the store